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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC
HELD AT THE LICK OBSERVATORY, MOUNT HAMILTON,
ON AUGUST 20, 1920.

There was no set scientific program for this meeting. It partook of the nature of an excursion to the Lick Observatory and a delightful outing. Director Campbell and staff, ably seconded by the ladies of Mount Hamilton, had not only fixed a special date for the reception of the Society, but provided a bountiful picnic luncheon for about thirty-five hungry people who reached the summit at six p. m. The memory of that luncheon and the kindly hospitality which accompanied it will not soon fade from the recollection of those who were so fortunate as to be present.

After eating, the observatory was thrown wide open to the happy visitors. The great thirty-six-inch telescope was swung into position and object after object of transcendent beauty was snatched from the azure vault. Nothing escaped. Nebulae, star clusters, timid binaries and blazing suns came one by one from their hiding places at the beckon of the magic glass. The Moon, which was in excellent position for observation, was especially kind and revealed every crack and crevice of her pock-marked countenance. Never before have the members of the Society so revelled in the opportunity to see the wonders of the sky, and Doctors Campbell, Aitken, Moore, Wright, Tucker, Trumpler, Thiele and all the rest stood by with infinite patience, explaining it all to the wondering laymen. At ten o'clock the autos dropped away through the scented canyons to the valley below, carrying a party of contented and very grateful excursionists to their distant homes.

The following were among the members and guests who were present on this occasion:

Mr. A. L. BLACK,
Mr. BERNARD BENFIELD,
Miss CECILE BENFIELD,
Miss SALLIE BENFIELD,
Mr. EDWARD JESURUN,
Prof. and Mrs. EARLE G. LINSLEY,
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. KNOLLIN,
Mr. E. W. PUTNAM and son,
Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD COUNIHAN,
Miss ADA CLEMENT,
Mrs. D. A. HODGHEAD,
Miss LILLIAN HODGHEAD,
Mr. and Mrs. KIMBALL G. EASTON,
Mr. and Mrs. B. A. BAIRD,
Mr. and Mrs. A. SIEBRECHT,
Mrs. J. C. WENDT,
Mrs. N. A. HAWKINS,
Mr. HENRY U. BRANDENSTEIN,
Mr. A. MACK,
Mr. CHARLES S. MABERY of the Case School of Applied Science.
Mr. and Mrs. D. S. RICHARDSON and son.